

Executive Proclamation

State of South Dakota

Office of the Governor

Whereas, The state of South Dakota is blessed with more than 700 lakes within its boundaries; and,

Whereas, Lakes and ponds are important resources to South Dakota's way of life and its environment, providing sources of recreation, scenic beauty and habitat for wildlife; and,

Whereas, South Dakota lakes are valuable economic resources for South Dakota businesses, tourism, and municipal governments; and,

Whereas, Over 30 citizen volunteers have demonstrated their intense interest in South Dakota lakes and streams by actively monitoring lake quality over the past several years through the Volunteer Lake Monitoring Program; and,

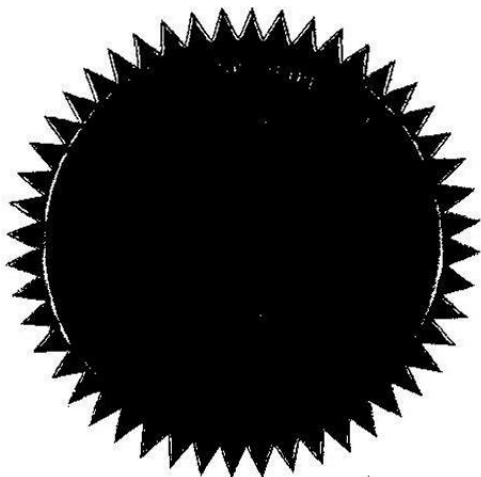
Whereas, The state of South Dakota recognizes the need to protect these lakes and streams for future generations:

Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim July 2003, as

LAKE APPRECIATION MONTH

in South Dakota, and invite all citizens to take due note of the observance.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Twelfth Day of June in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Three.



M. Michael Rounds

M. Michael Rounds, Governor

Attest:

Chris Nelson

Chris Nelson, Secretary of State